GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
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PERFORMANCE REPORTS OF COAL COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received the periodical reports from various coal companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to eradicate the inequality prevailing in the functioning and net results of the various coal companies in the country;

(d) whether the Government have the updated statistical details of the total expenditure incurred on the development of the coal units in the country during the last three years; and

(e) if so, the details thereof company-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL

(SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Government receives the performance reports from the coal companies. The performance reports include achievements of parameters viz. Production, Overburden Removal, System Capacity Utilisation, Output per Manshift, Off-take, Despatch, Plan Expenditure, generation of profit and State Electricity Board dues etc.

(c): To improve the performance of coal companies, the Govt. has advised the coal companies to take steps in the following thrust areas:

(i) To open new mines and increase efficiency and productivity in the existing mines by modernisation, application of new technologies and to ensure timely availability of inputs and infra-structural facilities;

(ii) To take steps to remove the bottlenecks in land acquisition and forest land clearance for speedier implementation of coal projects;

(iii) To take steps to securitise the outstanding coal sale dues of coal public sector undertakings (PSUs) against defaulting SEBs;

(iv) To take steps in co-ordinaton with the Railways to remove the transportation bottlenecks in coalfields areas having potential for enhanced production;

(v) Apart from above coal companies should make concerted efforts to reduce the production cost of coal by resorting to various measures viz. rationalisaton of manpower, improvement in capacity utilisation, removal of bottlenecks in timely completion of coal projects, judicious planning, economy in expenditure, and maintaining good industrial relation;

(vi) To take steps to improve the quality of coal through selective mining and beneficiation;

(vii) To supplement the resources required for investment in new projects and infuse modern technology and management systems and practices by entering into joint venture for development of green field project; and

(viii) To integrate environmental & social mitigation measures with mine development plans.

(d)&(e): Yes, Sir. The Govt. monitors the monthly and quarterly expenditure of the coal companies. The total expenditure of the coal companies in the country during the last three years is as under:

(Fig. in crore)

Year	Coal India Ltd		Singareni Collieries Company Ltd	
	Target(RE)	Actual(Prov.)	Target(RE)	Actual(Prov.)
1998-99	1700.00	1831.97	280.00	206.09
1999-2000	2676.19	2804.28	217.20	141.07
2000-01	1767.00	692.88	235.00	51.98

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